IV. Safety jn the Use [0I] Asbestos (Second Discussion).

V. Youth (General Discussion).

VI. The promotion of small and medium size undertaking[1] (General Discussion).

VII. Structure of ILO: Question re lating t0 amendments t0 t'ne ILO Con stitution.

Vill. Apartheid.

Moratorium on Nuclear Tests by the Soviet Union

321. SHRI MURLIDAHR CHANDRA-KANT BHANDARE;

SHRI MAHENDRA PRASAD:

Will the Ministe;- of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased t0 state:

(a) whether the Soviet Union has extended its unilateral moratorium on nuclear tests in May. 1986;

(b) ;f so, what was the response of the United States and other nuclear powers thereto; and

(c) what is Government's assessment

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THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS XSHRI K. R. NARAYANAN): (a) Yes Sir, the Soviet Union 'nas extended its unilateral moratorium on nuclear testing in May upto August 6, this year.

(b) So far no other nuclear weapon State has joined in the moratorium.

(c) The bilateral talks between the USA and the USSR on nuclear arms reduction in Geneva are continuing. Until now, these talks have not yielded any concrete results. The Government of India hope that the talks would lead to a substantial reduction in nuclear weapons and ultimately, to their elimination.

India's protest to the opening of Khunjerab Pass between Pak-occupied Kashmir and China

322. SHRI MAHENDRA PRASAD: Wiil the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whelher India had protested pgainst the recent opening of the Khunjerab pass between Pakistan-occupied Kashmir and China;

(b) if so, what was the response of Pakistan and China thereto; and

(c) wha: further steps have been taken by Government of India to restore *status que antel*

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFATRS (SHRI K. R. NARAYANAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The Government 0f Pakistan reiterating its eariier position, has charac-te-is^d lndian protests as unwarranted and unacceptable. The Chinese Government has similarly rejecied our protest claiming that the opening of the Karakoram Pass is a matter between China and Pakistan, and is in no way connected with the question of onwership 0f Kashmir.

Government are alive to the political und strategic implications of these illegal moves of Pakistan and China and all necessary steps are being taken to ensure India's security.

Seizure of narcotics

323. SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRA KANT BHANDARE: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the quantum of charas, hashish and other such drugs seized during the past three months; and

(b) what specific steps have been taken to prevent the smuggling of these items and how far it has been possible to curb smuggling as a result thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI